

Assistant to the Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Department of the Interior; Idaho Governor Dirk Kempthorne, Boise; Samuel Penny, Nez Perce Tribe, Lapwai, Idaho, on behalf of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission; Lionel Q. Boyer, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, Fort Hall, Idaho; and John Etchart, Helena, Montana, Eric J. Bloch, Portland, Oregon, and Frank L. Cassidy, Vancouver, Washington, all on behalf of the Northwest Power Planning Council.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

TREATIES/NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded hearings on Investment Treaty with Bahrain (Treaty Doc. 106–25), Investment Treaty with Bolivia (Treaty Doc. 106–26), Investment Treaty with Honduras (Treaty Doc. 106–27), Investment Treaty with El Salvador (Treaty Doc. 106–28), Investment Treaty with Croatia (Treaty Doc. 106–29), Investment Treaty with Jordan (Treaty Doc. 106–30), Investment Treaty with Uzbekistan (Treaty Doc. 104–25), Investment Treaty with Mozambique (Treaty Doc. 106–31), Investment Treaty with Lithuania (Treaty Doc. 106–42), Treaty with Mexico on Delimitation of Continental Shelf (Treaty Doc. 106–39), and Protocol Relating to the Madrid Agreement (Treaty Doc. 106–41), Investment Treaty with Azerbaijan (Treaty Doc. 106–47), Protocol Amending Investment Treaty with Panama (Treaty Doc. 106–46), after receiving testimony from Mary Beth West, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Oceans and Fisheries, and Janice F. Bay, Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Finance and Development, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, both of the Department of State.

Also, committee concluded hearings on the nomination of Barry Edward Carter, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Administrator of the

United States Agency for International Development, after the nominee, who was introduced by Senator Baucus, testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded hearings on the nominations of John Ramsey Johnson and Gerald Fisher, each to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf. Mr. Johnson and Mr. Fisher were introduced by Representative Norton.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE COSTS

Special Committee on Aging: Committee concluded hearings to examine issues relating to long-term care insurance, including protecting consumers from unanticipated premium increases, rate stabilization regulation, and proposed legislation to allow tax incentives towards the purchase of policies, after receiving testimony from William J. Scanlon, Director, Health Financing and Public Health Issues, Health, Education, and Human Services Division, General Accounting Office; Kathleen Sebelius, Kansas Insurance Department, Topeka, on behalf of the National Association of Insurance Commissioners; Allan Kanner, Allan Kanner and Associates/Tulane Law School, New Orleans, Louisiana; Charles N. Kahn, III, Health Insurance Association of America, Washington, D.C.; and David S. Martin, John Hancock Life Insurance Company, Boston, Massachusetts, on behalf of the American Council of Life Insurers.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 10 public bills, H.R. 5163–5172; and 2 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 398–399, were introduced. **Pages H7577–78**

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows.

H.R. 4986, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the provisions relating to foreign sales corporations (FSCs) and to exclude extraterritorial income from gross income, amended (H. Rept. 106–845). **Page H7577**

Journal: Agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Tuesday, September 12, 2000 by a yeas and nays vote of 337 yeas to 51 nays with 2 voting "present", Roll No. 465. **Pages H7505, H7508–09**

Marriage Tax Penalty Relief Act of 2000—Veto Override: The House failed to override the President's veto of H.R. 4810, to provide for reconciliation pursuant to section 103(a)(1) of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2001 by a 2/3 yeas and nays vote of 270 yeas to 158 nays, Roll No. 466. Subsequently, the President's veto message

and the bill were referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. **Pages H7509–20**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Strengthening United States-India Relations: H. Res. 572, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that it is in the interest of both the United States and the Republic of India to expand and strengthen United States-India relations, intensify bilateral cooperation in the fight against terrorism, and broaden the ongoing dialogue between the United States and India, of which the upcoming visit to the United States of the Prime Minister of India, Atal Bihari Vajpayee, is a significant step. (Debated and agreed to by voice vote on September 12, 2000. Agreed today to vacate the request for an electronic vote on the motion); **Page H7520**

Foreign Sales Corporation Repeal and Extraterritorial Income Exclusion: H.R. 4986, amended, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the provisions relating to foreign sales corporations (FSCs) and to exclude extraterritorial income from gross income (Debated on September 12, 2000. Passed by a recorded vote of 315 ayes to 109 noes with 1 voting “present,” Roll No. 467); and **Page H7521**

Honoring the Service and Sacrifice by the United States Merchant Marine: H. Con. Res. 327, honoring the service and sacrifice during periods of war by members of the United States Merchant Marine. (Debated on September 12, 2000. Passed by a ye and nay vote of 418 yeas with none voting “nay,” Roll No. 469). **Pages H7522–23**

Suspension Failed—Repeal of Boy Scouts Federal Charter: The House failed to pass H.R. 4892, to repeal the Federal charter of the Boy Scouts of America by a ye and nay vote of 12 yeas to 362 nays with 51 voting “present,” Roll No. 468. The bill was debated on September 12, 2000. **Pages H7521–22**

DOD Authorization—Motion to Instruct: Rejected the Graham motion to instruct conferees on the Senate amendment to H.R. 4205, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2001, not to agree to provisions which (1) fail to recognize that the 14th amendment to the Constitution guarantees all persons equal protection under the law; (2) deny equal protection under the law by conditioning prosecution of certain offenses on the race, color, religion, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or disability of the victim; and (3) preclude a person con-

victed of murder from being sentenced to death by a ye and nay vote of 196 yeas to 227 nays, Roll No. 470. **Pages H7523–32**

DOD Authorization—Motion to Instruct: Agreed to the Conyers motion to instruct conferees on the Senate amendment to H.R. 4205, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2001 for military activities of the Department of Defense and for military construction, to prescribe military personnel strengths for fiscal year 2001, to agree to the provisions contained in title XV of the Senate amendment by a ye and nay vote of 232 yeas to 192 nays, Roll No. 471. **Pages H7532–41**

Presidential Transition Act: The House passed H.R. 4931, to provide for the training or orientation of individuals, during a Presidential transition, who the President intends to appoint to certain key positions, to provide for a study and report on improving the financial disclosure process for certain Presidential nominees. **Pages H7542–43**

Member of the Republican Conference: Read a letter from Representative Martinez wherein he announced his affiliation with the Republican conference. Subsequently, read letters from Representative Frost and the Speaker dealing with his resignation from the Democratic Caucus and vacating his election to the Committees on Education and the Workforce and International Relations. **Pages H7541–42**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Six ye and nay votes and one recorded vote developed during the proceedings of the House today and appear on pages H7508–09, H7520, H7521, H7521–22, H7522–23, H7531–32, and H7541. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Committee Meetings

ANIMAL WELFARE ACT AMENDMENTS

Committee on Agriculture: Held a hearing on H.R. 1275, to amend the Animal Welfare Act to prohibit the interstate movement of live birds for the purpose of having the birds participate in animal fighting. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

UPPER MISSISSIPPI RIVER BASIN CONSERVATION ACT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on General Farm Commodities, Resource Conservation, and Credit held a hearing on H.R. 4013, Upper Mississippi River Basin Conservation Act of 2000. Testimony was heard from Representatives Gutknecht and Kind; Thomas A. Weber, Deputy Chief, Programs, Natural Resources Conservation Service,